

## Design and Application Guide



HYDRONIC HEATING, COOLING &  
DOMESTIC HOT WATER

DAIKIN *ALTHERMA 3 H HT*





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This Design and Application Guide is  
intended for **qualified and trained technicians only.**

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# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Innovative Technology



### **Sustainability**

This all-electric system is designed to help reduce a home's carbon emissions, compared to fossil fuel burning systems. An added benefit is if the electricity comes from renewable sources like solar and/or wind power.



### **All-Climate Operation.**

Daikin *ALTHERMA* 3 H HT operates reliably in various climates. Space heating + domestic hot water (DHW) is possible down to -18°F (-28°C) ambient. *ALTHERMA* is designed to produce high leaving water temperatures (LWT) of up to 158°F (70°C) and provide space cooling up to 109°F (43°C) ambient.



### **Energy Efficient.**

The Daikin *ALTHERMA* electric air-to-water heat pump provides an efficient, sustainable heating solution, supporting the transition away from fossil-fuel-based comfort systems toward all-electric energy.



### **Signature Technology**

Daikin *ALTHERMA* 3 H HT air-to-water heat pump systems are designed with the latest technology and manufactured to exacting standards. Modern inverter-driven compressors and fan motors plus micro-processor controls deliver constant comfort and high efficiency performance.



# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Innovative Technology



### Elevate possibilities.

#### » Outdoor unit with self contained R-32 refrigerant circuit:

No refrigerant inside the house.

#### » Packaged solution with “Plumb-and-Play” installation:

No refrigeration work required, just plumbing. The outdoor, indoor, and optional DHW tank are connected through water piping.

#### » Application flexibility:

Design for flexibility with the use of different indoor emitters for heating and cooling. Ideal for retrofit and new build applications.



### Elevate comfort.

#### Homeowners will enjoy year-round comfort:

» Able to produce water temperatures of up to 158°F (70°C)

» Operation range down to -18°F (-28°C)

» High heating capacity at low ambient temperatures



### Elevate quiet.

#### Designed for quiet operation:

» **Standard sound mode:** the outdoor unit produces a sound pressure of 41 dBA at about 10 ft., somewhere between birds chirping and the inside of a library.

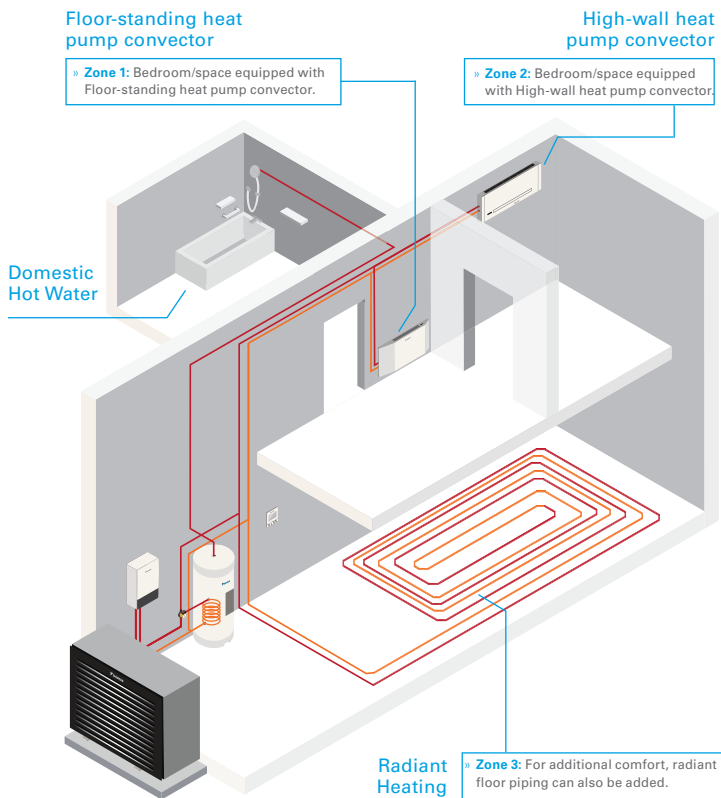
» The outdoor unit features an additional **low sound mode.**

This mode helps reduce the sound pressure even further to 35 dBA, representing a reduction of half the sound level of the standard mode!



# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Innovative Technology



### DUCTLESS HOME<sup>®</sup> EXAMPLE

\* Visual representation of possible system connection.

### Floor-standing heat pump convector

» **Zone 1:** Bedroom/space equipped with Floor-standing heat pump convectors.

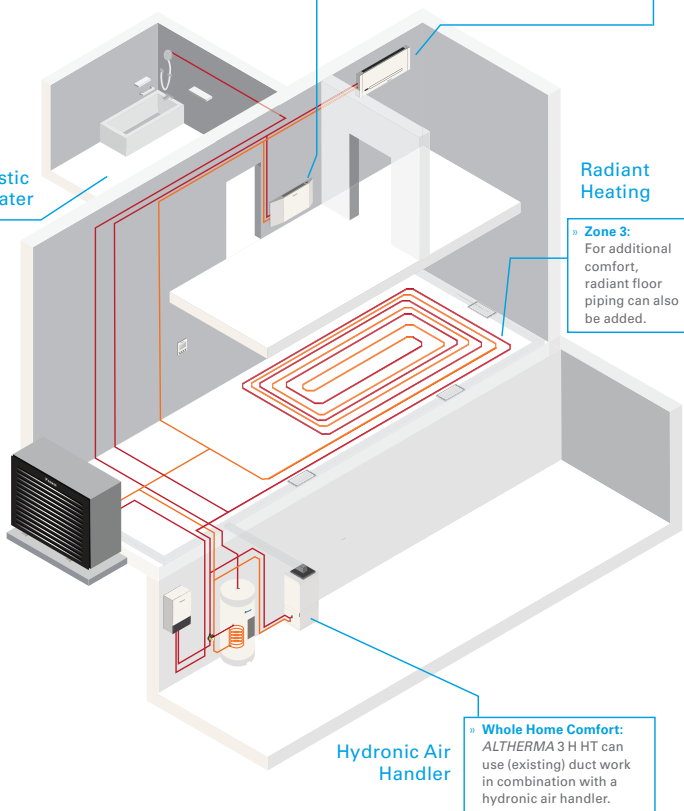
### High-wall heat pump convector

» **Zone 2:** Bedroom/space equipped with High-wall heat pump convectors.

Domestic Hot Water

### Radiant Heating

» **Zone 3:** For additional comfort, radiant floor piping can also be added.



Hydronic Air Handler

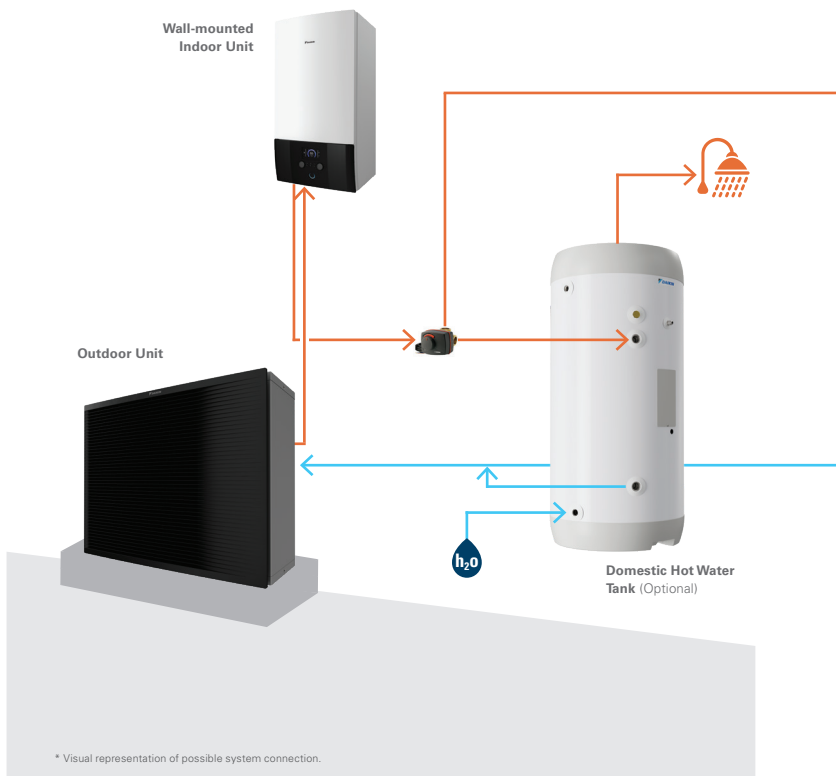
» **Whole Home Comfort:** ALTHERMA 3 H HT can use (existing) duct work in combination with a hydronic air handler.

## DUCTED HOME\* EXAMPLE

\* Visual representation of possible system connection.

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## Innovative Technology



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### USING FIELD SUPPLIED RADIANT FLOOR



Radiant flooring



HEATING

ADVANCED EFFICIENCY

Low Water Temperature

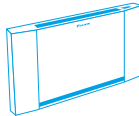
### DAIKIN SUPPLIED



Hydronic  
Air Handler



High-wall  
HP Convactor



Floor-standing  
HP Convactor



HEATING

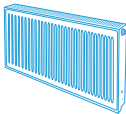


COOLING

ENHANCED EFFICIENCY

Medium Water Temperature

### USING (EXISTING) RADIATOR(S) OR BASEBOARD(S)



Radiator



Hydronic Baseboard /  
Fin-tube



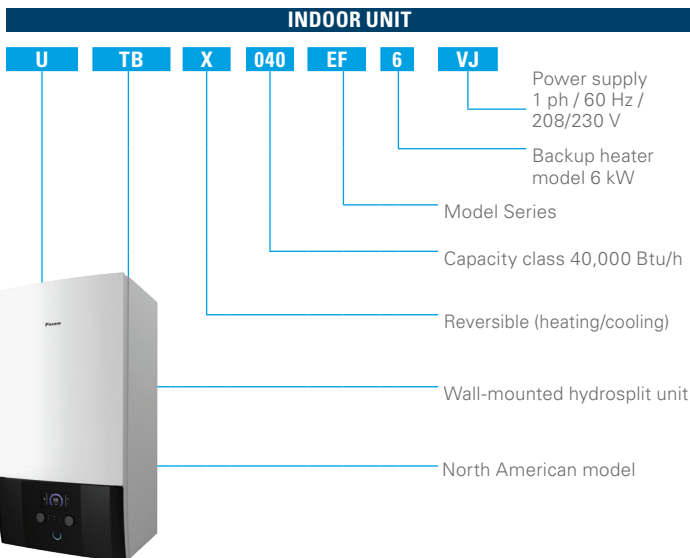
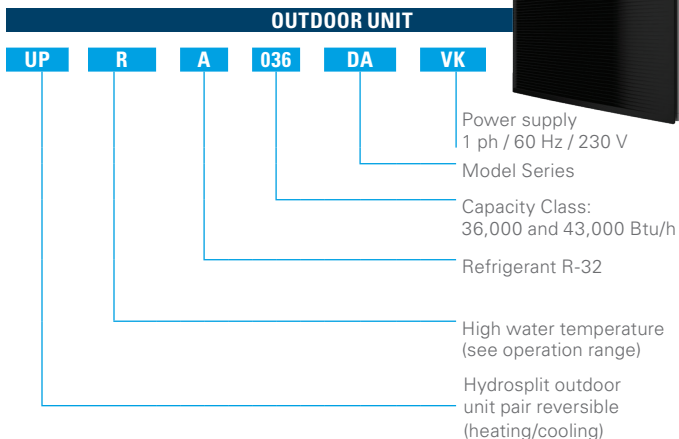
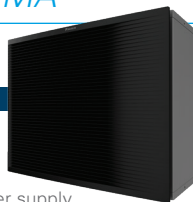
HEATING

STANDARD EFFICIENCY

High Water Temperature

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Nomenclature



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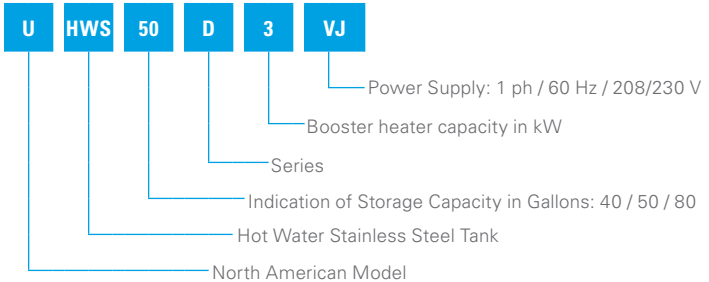
## Nomenclature

### Optional Domestic Hot Water Tank (DHW)

UHWS40D3VJ

UHWS50D3VJ

UHWS80D3VJ



| Volume            | Height              |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 40 gal<br>(150 L) | 39.4"<br>(1,000 mm) |
| 50 gal<br>(200 L) | 49.8"<br>(1,264 mm) |
| 80 gal<br>(300 L) | 68.7"<br>(1,745 mm) |

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## Nomenclature

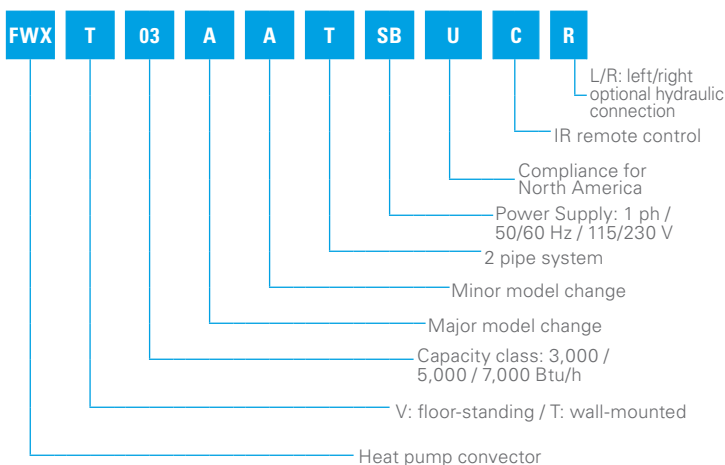
### Heat Pump Convector

#### Floor-standing:

FWXV03AATSBUR  
FWXV05AATSBUR  
FWXV07AATSBUR  
FWXV03AATSBUL  
FWXV05AATSBUL  
FWXV07AATSBUL

#### Wall-mounted:

FWXT03AATSBUCR  
FWXT05AATSBUCR  
FWXT07AATSBUCR  
FWXT03AATSBUCL  
FWXT05AATSBUCL  
FWXT07AATSBUCL



Floor-standing

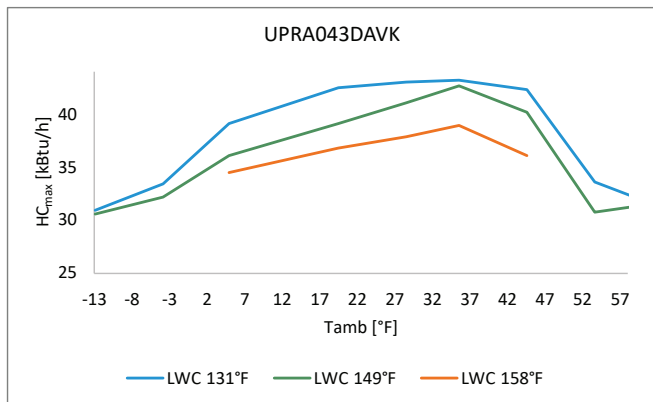
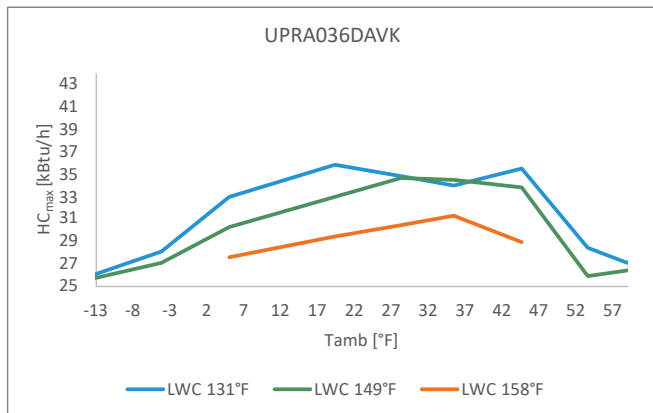


Wall-mounted

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Heating Capacities

### Maximum Heating Capacity – Integrated Value



**HC<sub>max</sub>** Heating capacity for maximum load, measured according to EN 14511 [kBtu/h]

**LWC** Leaving water condenser temperature [°F]

**Tamb** Ambient temperature [°F DB]

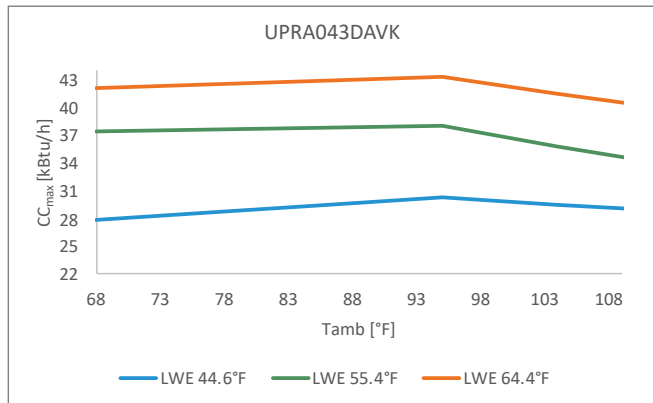
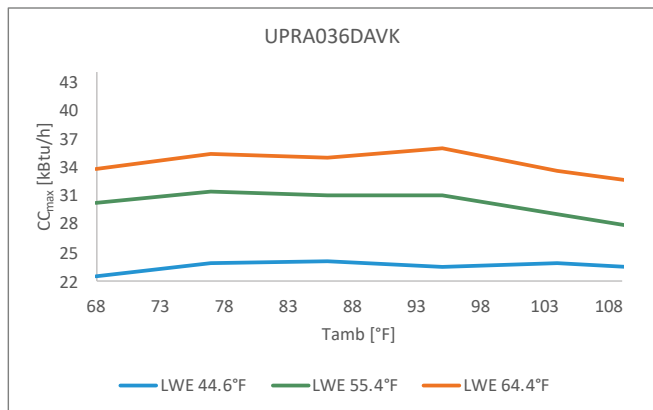
**Note:** The capacity and the power input are at maximum operation.

Capacity according to standard EN 14511 and valid for heated water range  $\Delta T = 5.4\text{--}14.4^\circ\text{F}$ .

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Cooling Capacities

### Maximum Cooling Capacity



**CC<sub>max</sub>** Cooling capacity at maximum operating frequency, measured according to EN 14511 [kBtu/h]

**LWC** Leaving water condenser temperature [°F]

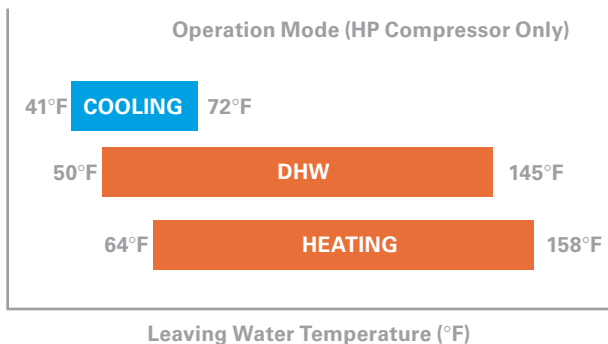
**Tamb** Ambient temperature [°F DB]

**Note:** The capacity and the power input are at maximum operation.

Capacity according to standard EN 14511 and valid for chilled water range  $\Delta T = 5.4\text{--}14.4^\circ\text{F}$ .

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Operation Range



### Space Heating

- » The air-to-water heat pump can produce a LWT of 158°F at 5°F ambient temperature and a LWT of 149°F at -18°F ambient temperature.
- » With the integrated backup heater, the air-to-water heat pump can produce a LWT of 158°F at -18°F ambient temperature.

### Domestic Hot Water (Optional)

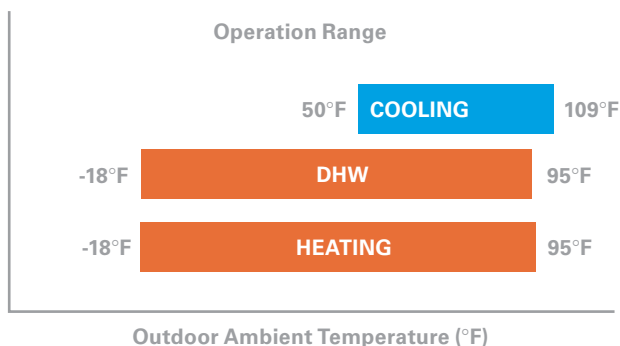
- » The air-to-water heat pump can produce a LWT of up to 145°F at -18°F ambient temperature for DHW production.
- » With the booster heater, the air-to-water heat pump can produce a LWT of up to 167°F at -18°F ambient temperature for DHW production.

### Space Cooling

- » The air-to-water heat pump can produce a LWT down to 41°F at 109°F ambient temperature.

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Operation Range (cont.)



### Space Heating

- » The air-to-water heat pump can operate from -18°F to 95°F ambient temperature during space heating operation.

### Domestic Hot Water (Optional)

- » The air-to-water heat pump can operate from -18°F to 95°F ambient temperature during domestic hot water operation.

### Space Cooling

- » The air-to-water heat pump can operate from 50°F to 109°F ambient temperature during space cooling operation.

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Emitters

### Heat Pump Convector (Fan Coil Units)

» Daikin *ALTHERMA* HPC provides fan forced cooling and heating

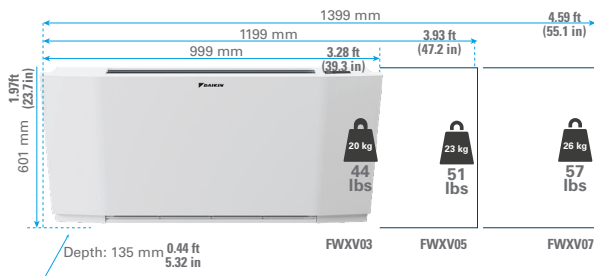
#### Floor-standing (FWXV)



## Controls



Type: Thermostat, Auto/manual fan speed, Touch panel



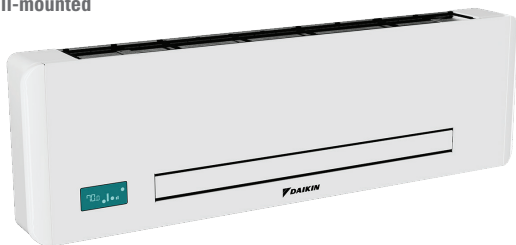
| Heating/Cooling Capacities (Btu/h)  |        |        |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Indoor unit Fan speed               | FWXV03 | FWXV05 | FWXV07 |
| <b>Cooling capacity (45°F LWT)</b>  |        |        |        |
| Minimum                             | 2661   | 3753   | 3855   |
| Medium                              | 3753   | 5630   | 6756   |
| Maximum                             | 5527   | 9008   | 10202  |
| <b>Heating capacity (113°F LWT)</b> |        |        |        |
| Minimum                             | 2968   | 3821   | 3787   |
| Medium                              | 4333   | 6517   | 7916   |
| Maximum                             | 6687   | 9758   | 11942  |

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## Emitters (cont.)

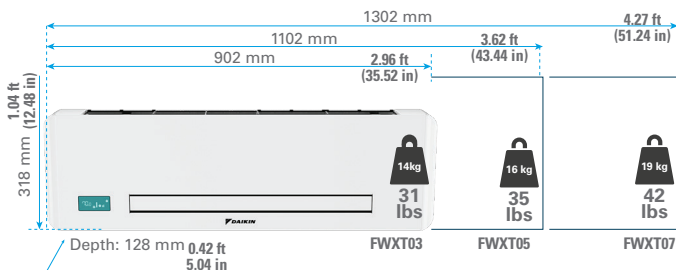
» Daikin *ALTHERMA* HPC provides fan forced cooling and heating

### Wall-mounted



### Controls

Type: Thermostat, Auto/manual fan speed, Infrared controller



| Heating/Cooling Capacities (Btu/h) |        |        |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Indoor unit Fan speed              | FWXT03 | FWXT05 | FWXT07 |
| <b>Cooling capacity LWT 45F:</b>   |        |        |        |
| Minimum                            | 1671   | 2115   | 2388   |
| Medium                             | 3002   | 3685   | 4128   |
| Maximum                            | 4231   | 5493   | 6619   |
| <b>Heating capacity LWT 113F:</b>  |        |        |        |
| Minimum                            | 1877   | 2696   | 2866   |
| Medium                             | 3412   | 4641   | 5971   |
| Maximum                            | 5118   | 6858   | 8223   |

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Daikin *ALTHERMA* HPC Accessories

Accessories consists of an automatic valve with thermo-electric head and a lock shield, fitted with micrometric adjustment, capable of balancing the system load losses. The kit contains the insulation to be mounted on the valve and on the lockshield.



Thermo-electric head

3-way valve

1/2" flexible tube

Lockshield

Outlet union

Thermo-electric head wiring connections



» All Fan coils (HPC) will come with two Eurokonus adapters for field pipe connections.



Motorized 3-way diverter (bypass) valve with thermo-electric head for FWXV series: UK2VK1



Motorized 2-way diverter valve with thermo-electric head for FWXV series: UK2VK0



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## Daikin *ALTHERMA* HPC Accessories (cont.)

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Motorized 2-way diverter valve with thermo-electric head for FWXT series: UKT2VK0



### Infrared Remote Controller



- » Remote
- » Fully Modulating
- » For Models FWXT-AATSBUCL
- » Comes with the high wall mounted indoor units

Motorized 3-way diverter (bypass) valve with thermo-electric head for FWXT series: UKT3VK1



- » All Fan coils (HPC) will come with two Eurokonus adapters for field pipe connections.

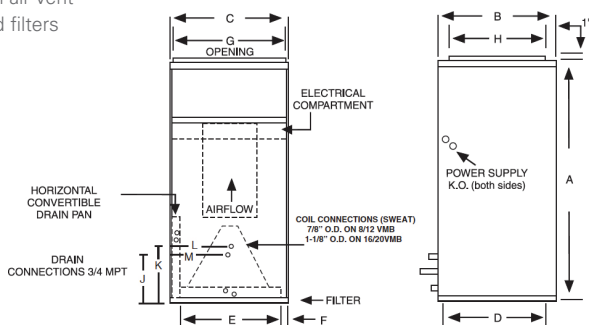


# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## Hydronic Air Handling Unit (AHU)

**Hydronic air handling units can be used in a variety of ways. Retrofit or new construction.**

- » Hydro-air or traditional forced air applications
- » Fuel fired furnace/optional DHW replacement
- » High efficiency AHU
- » Engineered to operate efficiently in low temperature applications
- » ECM motor
- » Vertical/Horizontal drain pan (right-to-left and left-to-right airflow)
- » Manual air vent
- » Pleated filters



### Physical Dimensions

| Unit Model | A  | B  | C   | D   | E   | F | G   | H  | Coil Connection | Filter Size |
|------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|----|-----------------|-------------|
| 8VMB       | 40 | 20 | 20  | 18½ | 16  | 2 | 18  | 16 | ¾ swt           | 18x20x1     |
| 12VMB      | 42 | 23 | 20  | 21½ | 16  | 2 | 18  | 17 | ¾ swt           | 20x22x1     |
| 16/20VMB   | 48 | 26 | 21¼ | 26¼ | 17¼ | 2 | 19¼ | 18 | 1½ swt          | 20x25x1     |



### Electrical Data

| Unit Model | Motor HP (120vac) | Motor Amps | MCA | MOP |
|------------|-------------------|------------|-----|-----|
| 8VMB       | 1/3               | 4.8        | 6   | 15  |
| 12VMB      | 1/2               | 7.3        | 10  | 15  |
| 16VMB      | 3/4               | 10.5       | 14  | 15  |
| 20VMB      | 1                 | 11.5       | 15  | 15  |

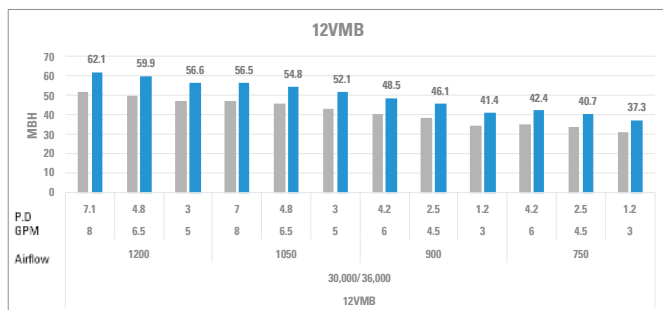
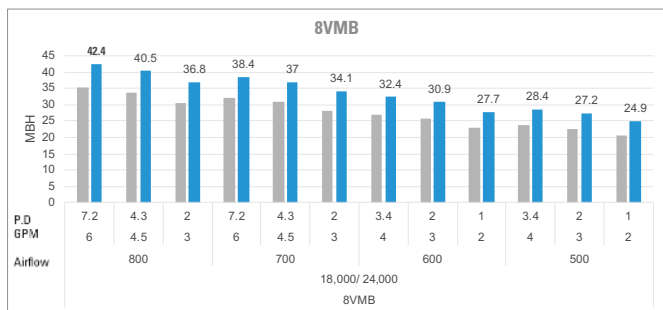
# Features and Benefits of *ALThERMA*

## Hydronic Air Handling Unit (AHU) (cont.)

Optimizing system performance is utilizing the low leaving water temperature (LWT). Select the AHU that will give the required airflow and BTUs for the needs of the space being serviced by the unit.



- » Size pumps and/or hydronic zones with pressure drop and flow in mind
- » MBH is based on airflow and waterflow
- » Pressure drop through the coil increases as GPM increases
- » Refer to pump manufacturer for the model pump curve to assure the pump is adequate for the application
- » Capacities shown (ex: 18000/24000) are nominal cooling capacities



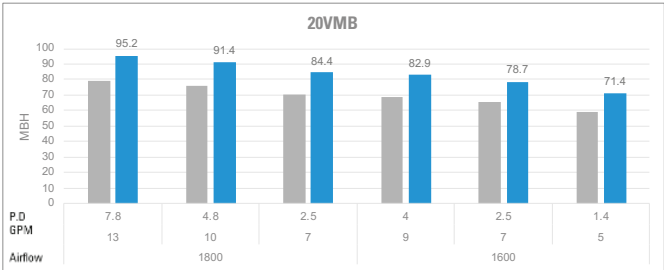
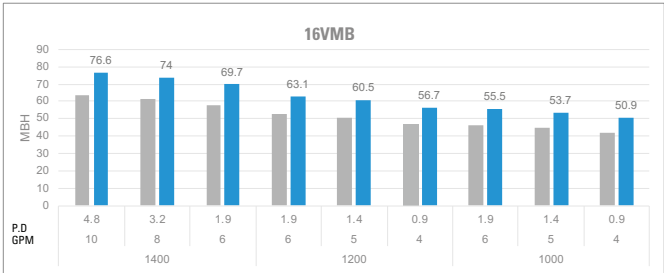
- VMB Series Heating Performance Data at 120°F Water Temperature
  - VMB Series Heating Performance Data at 130°F Water Temperature
- P.D. Pressure Drop in feet of water (head pressure)

# Features and Benefits of ALTHERMA

## Hydronic Air Handling Unit (AHU) (cont.)

### Optimization of the AHU in combination with ALTHERMA

- » 120°F-130°F charts showing the MBH gained with lower LWT temperatures which can increase efficiency when paired with the ALTHERMA.
- » MBH changes as the water flow rate and air flow change
- » As the GPM increases the pressure drop also increases
- » To summarize: Design efficiencies are best found using the larger AHU with lower airflow (CFM) and lower GPM flow of water through the coil



- VMB Series Heating Performance Data at 120°F Water Temperature
  - VMB Series Heating Performance Data at 130°F Water Temperature
- P.D. Pressure Drop in feet of water (head pressure)

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## Hydronic Air Handling Unit (AHU) (cont.)

AHU and system performance is directly affected by multiple factors. Select the right size AHU for the application all while maintaining efficient water temperatures and flow making allowances for the pressure drop through the coil.

### Air Handling Unit Cooling Performance

| Unit Model | Nominal CFM | GPM  | PD (ft of Water) | 45°F Entering Water      |          |           |                          |          |           | 42°F Entering Water      |          |           |                          |          |           |
|------------|-------------|------|------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|
|            |             |      |                  | 80°F DB/67°F WB Ent. Air |          |           | 75°F DB/63°F WB Ent. Air |          |           | 80°F DB/67°F WB Ent. Air |          |           | 75°F DB/63°F WB Ent. Air |          |           |
|            |             |      |                  | Total MBH                | Sens MBH | Temp Rise | Total MBH                | Sens MBH | Temp Rise | Total MBH                | Sens MBH | Temp Rise | Total MBH                | Sens MBH | Temp Rise |
| 8VMB       | 600         | 3.0  | 2.5              | 19.0                     | 13.8     | 12.7      | 14.5                     | 12.1     | 9.7       | 20.7                     | 14.4     | 13.8      | 15.8                     | 12.6     | 10.5      |
|            |             | 4.5  | 5.5              | 22.4                     | 15.1     | 9.9       | 17.1                     | 13.1     | 7.6       | 24.4                     | 15.9     | 10.8      | 18.6                     | 13.7     | 8.3       |
|            |             | 6.0  | 9.5              | 24.4                     | 15.9     | 8.2       | 18.7                     | 13.7     | 6.2       | 26.6                     | 16.8     | 8.9       | 20.3                     | 14.4     | 6.8       |
|            | 800         | 3.5  | 3.4              | 23.1                     | 17.3     | 13.2      | 17.6                     | 15.2     | 10.1      | 25.2                     | 18.1     | 14.4      | 19.2                     | 15.8     | 11.0      |
|            |             | 5.0  | 6.7              | 26.9                     | 18.7     | 10.7      | 20.5                     | 16.3     | 8.2       | 29.3                     | 19.6     | 11.7      | 22.4                     | 17.1     | 8.9       |
|            |             | 6.5  | 11               | 29.2                     | 19.6     | 9.0       | 22.3                     | 17.0     | 6.9       | 31.8                     | 20.6     | 9.8       | 24.3                     | 17.8     | 7.5       |
| 12VMB      | 1000        | 4.0  | 2.4              | 28.3                     | 21.6     | 14.1      | 21.6                     | 19.0     | 10.8      | 30.8                     | 22.5     | 15.4      | 23.6                     | 19.7     | 11.8      |
|            |             | 6.0  | 4.8              | 33.9                     | 23.7     | 11.3      | 25.9                     | 20.6     | 8.6       | 36.9                     | 24.8     | 12.3      | 28.2                     | 21.6     | 9.4       |
|            |             | 8.0  | 7.9              | 37.3                     | 25       | 9.3       | 28.5                     | 21.7     | 7.1       | 40.6                     | 26.3     | 10.2      | 31                       | 22.7     | 7.8       |
|            | 1200        | 5.0  | 3.5              | 33.7                     | 25.5     | 13.5      | 25.8                     | 22.4     | 10.3      | 36.8                     | 26.6     | 14.7      | 28.1                     | 23.3     | 11.3      |
|            |             | 6.5  | 5.5              | 38.0                     | 27.1     | 11.7      | 29.1                     | 23.7     | 8.9       | 41.5                     | 28.4     | 12.8      | 31.7                     | 24.7     | 9.7       |
|            |             | 8.0  | 7.9              | 41.0                     | 28.2     | 10.3      | 31.3                     | 24.6     | 7.8       | 44.7                     | 29.6     | 11.2      | 34.1                     | 25.7     | 8.5       |
| 16VMB      | 1400        | 4.5  | 2                | 36.2                     | 29.2     | 16.1      | 27.7                     | 25.8     | 12.3      | 39.5                     | 30.3     | 17.6      | 30.1                     | 26.7     | 13.4      |
|            |             | 6.0  | 3.3              | 42.4                     | 31.4     | 14.1      | 32.4                     | 27.6     | 10.8      | 46.2                     | 32.8     | 15.4      | 35.3                     | 28.7     | 11.8      |
|            |             | 7.5  | 4.8              | 46.9                     | 33.1     | 12.5      | 35.8                     | 28.9     | 9.6       | 51.1                     | 34.7     | 13.6      | 39                       | 30.2     | 10.4      |
|            | 1600        | 6.0  | 3.3              | 44.2                     | 34.1     | 14.7      | 33.8                     | 30.0     | 11.3      | 48.2                     | 35.5     | 16.1      | 36.8                     | 31.2     | 12.3      |
|            |             | 8.0  | 5.4              | 51.0                     | 36.6     | 12.7      | 38.9                     | 32.0     | 9.7       | 55.5                     | 38.3     | 13.9      | 42.4                     | 33.4     | 10.6      |
|            |             | 10.0 | 7.9              | 55.7                     | 38.4     | 11.1      | 42.5                     | 33.4     | 8.5       | 60.7                     | 40.3     | 12.1      | 46.3                     | 34.9     | 9.3       |
| 20VMB      | 1600        | 6.5  | 3.8              | 46.1                     | 34.8     | 14.2      | 35.2                     | 30.6     | 10.8      | 50.3                     | 36.3     | 15.5      | 38.4                     | 31.8     | 11.8      |
|            |             | 8.5  | 6                | 52.3                     | 37.1     | 12.3      | 39.9                     | 32.4     | 9.4       | 57.0                     | 38.8     | 13.4      | 43.5                     | 33.8     | 10.2      |
|            |             | 10.5 | 8.6              | 56.6                     | 38.7     | 10.8      | 43.2                     | 33.7     | 8.2       | 61.7                     | 40.7     | 11.8      | 47.1                     | 35.2     | 9.0       |
|            | 2000        | 7.0  | 4.3              | 52.4                     | 40.9     | 15.0      | 40                       | 36.1     | 11.4      | 57.1                     | 42.6     | 16.3      | 43.6                     | 37.4     | 12.5      |
|            |             | 10.0 | 7.9              | 61.7                     | 44.3     | 12.3      | 47.1                     | 37.1     | 9.4       | 67.3                     | 46.4     | 13.5      | 51.4                     | 40.5     | 10.3      |
|            |             | 13.0 | 12.5             | 67.5                     | 46.5     | 10.4      | 51.6                     | 40.5     | 7.9       | 73.6                     | 48.8     | 11.3      | 56.2                     | 42.4     | 8.6       |

# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## **ALTHERMA and AHU System Design**

### **Example of optimizing the sizing of the AHU for heating and cooling**

- » Cooling load is 25 MBH total cooling
- » Heating load calls for 44 MBH of heating
- » Using the charts you will find the 12VMB will perform as needed.
- » AHU will need 6.5 GPM, accounting for the pressure drop through the coil of 4.8 ft of water or 2.1 psi. (1PSI=2.31 ft of water) NOTE: The pressure drop when heating is different than in cooling. Piping and pump sizing should be checked for these factors. This is fixed for both the heating and the cooling loads.
- » AHU airflow setting for heating would be at 1050 CFM (total heating is 45.6 MBH)
- » AHU airflow for cooling would be set for 1000 CFM (total MBH is 25.9)
- » Temperature from the *ALTHERMA* (LWT) would be set for 120°F for the heating season.
- » Operating the AHU at 120°F would provide higher efficiency compared to a higher LWT.
- » The LWT for the cooling season would be set for 45°F (75°F DB/63°F WB entering air)
- » These modest temperatures and setpoints will increase the efficiency of the *ALTHERMA* system.
- » Temperatures and flow rates too can be adjusted for comfort of the end user and optimization of the *ALTHERMA* system.
- » Using a 12VMB will perform for the load. Key factors when selecting a 12VMB is the GPM and pressure drops across the coils may require secondary pumping to account for the increase in waterflow.
- » Be sure to verify pump operation and pipe restriction considerations.

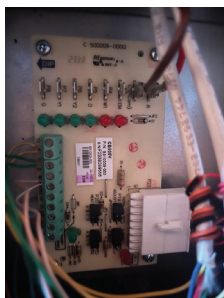
### **Designing a successful system**

| Establish Heat Load   | Read charts and establish what flow rates will work for the design.   |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Cooling load is 25 MBTU total cooling</li> <li>» Heating load calls for 44 MBTU of heating</li> </ul>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Flow Rate 6.5 GPM at 4.8ft of water</li> <li>» Ensure piping and pumps are designed to support this</li> </ul> |
| Match flow rate with AHU Airflow to satisfy heat load   | Commission <i>ALTHERMA</i> Setpoints for AHU  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Cooling 1000 CFM and 6.5 GPM gives 25.9 MBH at 45°F cooling</li> <li>» Heating 1050 CFM and 6.5G PM gives 45.6 MBH at 120°F</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» 120°F heating</li> <li>» 45°F cooling</li> </ul>   |

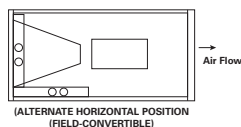
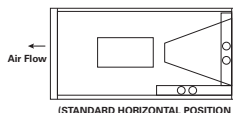
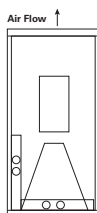
# Features and Benefits of *ALTHERMA*

## **ALTHERMA and AHU System Design (cont.)**

The airflow selection is another important factor in optimization of the system. The airflow working along with the water flow rate and LWT gives the performance of the complete system. Be sure to select the right combination to obtain efficient performance.



### **3-WAY AIRFLOW**



On the AHU control PCB make the selection for your system requirements.

|              |   | <b>Air Flow Data</b>                |          |          |          |                 |          |          |          |
|--------------|---|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>Model</b> | <b>Operating Mode</b>                       | <b>Control Board Selection Taps</b> |          |          |          |                 |          |          |          |
|              |   | <b>Cool CFM</b>                     |          |          |          | <b>Heat CFM</b> |          |          |          |
|              |   | <b>A</b>                            | <b>B</b> | <b>C</b> | <b>D</b> | <b>A</b>        | <b>B</b> | <b>C</b> | <b>D</b> |
| <b>8VMB</b>  | <b>Cooling or Heating Thermostat Signal</b> |                                     |          |          |          | 800             | 700      | 600      | 500      |
|              | <b>Continuous Blower</b>                    | 400                                 | 350      | 350      | 250      |                 |          |          |          |
| <b>12VMB</b> | <b>Cooling or Heating Thermostat Signal</b> |                                     |          |          |          | 1200            | 1050     | 900      | 750      |
|              | <b>Continuous Blower</b>                    | 600                                 | 525      | 450      | 375      |                 |          |          |          |
| <b>16VMB</b> | <b>Cooling or Heating Thermostat Signal</b> |                                     |          |          |          | 1600            | 1400     | 1200     | 1000     |
|              | <b>Continuous Blower</b>                    | 800                                 | 700      | 600      | 500      |                 |          |          |          |
| <b>20VMB</b> | <b>Cooling or Heating Thermostat Signal</b> |                                     |          |          |          | 1825            | 1200     | 1600     | 1400     |
|              | <b>Continuous Blower</b>                    | 900                                 | 850      | 800      | 700      |                 |          |          |          |



## SYSTEM SELECTION

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# System Selection

## System selection has a series of steps to obtain optimal performance and versatility of the *ALTHERMA* system.

1. Perform a room by room load calculation using Manual-J as recommended by ACCA (Air Conditioning Contractors of America)
2. Educate the end user on the versatility and operation of the *ALTHERMA* system offering options gained with the use of hydronics for both heating and cooling.
3. Decide what kind of system the end user desires considering the interview and comfort of the end user.
4. Decide the size and type of piping configuration will be necessary for the optimal performance of the *ALTHERMA* system.
5. Verify site considerations for design and layout



### Heat loss calculation

- » Know geographic location of site
  - Geographical location gives the design temperature of the actual site. Some areas can have a large difference in design temperatures within short distances. Some local codes will desire more strict design temperatures than those pre-loaded in some Manual-J programs
- » Verify insulation values. (sometimes age of building will help negotiate this task)
- » Wall type. Framing type with what exterior and interior finishes that may increase or decrease insulation properties.
- » Number of occupants
- » Verify inside design temperatures as the end user desires
- » Using measuring tools, measure all rooms walls and ceiling height
- » Windows and door sizes
- » Verify window insulation. Sometimes this can be determined by understanding the age of the windows.
- » Record floor and ceiling area size and what type of ceiling and floor
- » Is the ceiling over a second floor or attic. What is the insulation.
- » Is the floor concrete slab, basement or crawl space.
- » Note conditions underfloor and above ceiling
- » Enter recorded information into an acceptable heat load calculating program

# System Selection

## End User Interview Education

**To properly size and ensure comfort to the end user asking the right questions is key to ensure comfort.**

- » Talk to the end user and find out what temperatures they are comfortable at.
- » Is anyone sensitive to humidity or moving air?
- » How many members of the house?
- » Are they happy with their current system, why?
- » Does their current system keep all areas warm and cool enough in each season throughout the year?
- » Any damp areas?
- » What type of heating system is preferred? Some have never been asked this question!
- » Tell them about all the possibilities with using a hydronic system; radiant, warm air, baseboard, fan coil, panel, etc.
- » Would they like to have certain areas controlled by their own thermostat? Explain zoning options like breaking the system up by areas, rooms, floors, other?
- » How much domestic hot water do they use?
- » Have they run out, when?
- » Do they have large tubs?
- » How many bathrooms?
- » Do they like to entertain large groups?
- » Start keeping track of job information using a product check list.



# System Selection

## Domestic Hot Water Tank Sizing

Many consider water to be hot when its temperature is 105°F or higher. Therefore, the DHW consumption is always expressed as equivalent hot water volume at 105°F. However, you can set the DHW tank temperature at a higher temperature (example: 130°F which is a scalding temperature), then mix with cold water (example: 59°F) through a mixing valve rated for residential DHW purposes to increase capacity.

### Selecting the volume and desired temperature for the DHW tank consists of:

- » Determining the DHW consumption (equivalent hot water volume at 105°F)
- » Determining the volume and desired temperature for the DHW tank.

**To properly size an optional domestic hot water tank, a proper understanding of the end user's needs is imperative. Ask some simple questions to put together a domestic hot water system.**

| Question                               | Typical water volume   |
|--|--|
| How many showers are needed per day?   | 1 shower = 10 minutes x 2.5 GPM flow rate of shower head = 25 gallons  |
| How many baths are needed per day?     | This number can vary range is 30-60 gallons  |
| How much water for kitchen sink usage? | Average sink aerator regulates water to a flow of 1.5 GPM 2 minutes of wash would result in 3 gallons of water |

| Determining the volume and desired temperature of the DHW tank                                  |  |
|---|--|
| Formula   | Example  |
| $V1=V2+V2x(T2 - 105)/(105 - T1)$ $V1 = 50 + 50x(130 -105)/(105 - 55)$ $V1 = 75 \text{ gallons}$ | If:<br>■ V2=50 gallon<br>■ T2=130°F<br>■ T1=55°F<br>Then V1=75 gallons   |
| $V2 = V1x(105-T1)/(T2-T1)$ $V2 = 125x(105-55)/(130-55)$ $V2 = 83 \text{ gallons}$               | If:<br>■ V1=125 gallons<br>■ T2=130°F<br>■ T1=55°F<br>Then V2=83 gallons |

**V1** = DHW consumption (equivalent hot water volume at 105°F)

**V2** = Required DHW tank volume if only heated once

**T2** = DHW tank temperature

**T1** = Cold water inlet temperature

# System Selection

## *AlthermaXpress*

**Fast-n-easy sizing and configuration for Daikin *ALTHERMA* systems.**

### **What it is**

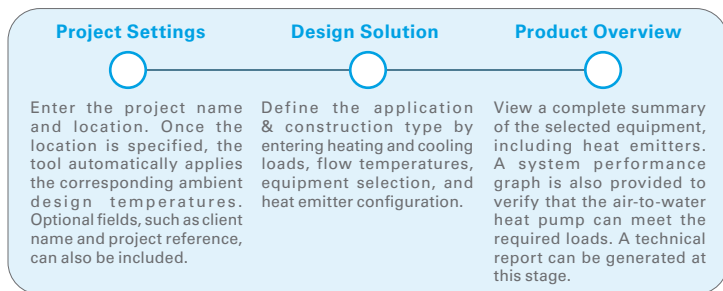
*AlthermaXpress* is a web-based tool that helps installers, dealers and consultants select the right Daikin *ALTHERMA* system in just a few steps.

### **What it does**

This tool allows the user to quickly select the right combination of outdoor & indoor units along with the heat emitters based on specific heating or cooling requirements, climate conditions and design parameters. This tool also generates technical documentation and performance data for use in proposals or installation planning. Once the equipment is selected, a quote can also be generated via Daikin City.

### **Why use it**

1. Ensure accurate selections based on real project needs
2. Generate submittal data for project planning
3. Save time with quick and reliable system sizing



## **Get started today**

Log in with your Daikin City account at:

<https://althermaxpress.daikincity.com/>



# System Selection

## Controls

**The ALTHERMA system is configured using the MMI (Man-Machine Interface) controller. This controller can handle a multitude of variations in hydronics.**

- » Easy navigation and understanding
- » Optimize the system in 9 easy steps
- » Configure the system to operate with a maximum heating LWT of 158°F or the lowest LWT that the system will need to provide comfort and efficiency for the system design.
- » Remotely Capable using the *SkyportHome* App.
- » Dual zoning control with two separate LWT settings
- » Easily select the type of emitters for the system design. UF heating, Fan coil, Radiator, DHW tank
- » Outdoor Reset (weather dependent) capable for system efficiency

**The system produced heat is calculated internally based on setting in the MMI controller:**

- » The leaving water temperature
- » The flow rate
- » Power consumption of the booster heater (if applicable) in the domestic water tank

**For system setup and configuration:**

- » No additional equipment needed
- » Only in case a booster heater is present in the system, measure its capacity (resistance measurement) and set the capacity via the user interface.
- » Example: If you measure a booster heater resistance of  $17.1\Omega$ , the capacity of the heater at 230 V is 3100 W.



# System Selection

## Controls (cont.)

### Calculating the consumed energy

- » The consumed energy is calculated internally based on:
  - The actual power input of the outdoor unit
  - The set capacity of the backup heater and booster heater (if applicable)
  - The voltage
- » Setup and configuration: To get accurate energy data, measure the capacity (resistance measurement) and set the capacity via the user interface for:
  - The backup heater (step 1 and step 2) (if applicable)
  - The booster heater

### Thermostat - Daikin D2271 Connected Thermostat

- » Link to the *SkyportHome* App.
- » Standard 24vac thermostat connections
- » 2 heat and 2 cool capabilities



### D-checker tool compatible for diagnostics

- » Plugs into the hydrobox PCB on terminal X10



FOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEOS, SCAN CODE OR VISIT:  
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# System Selection

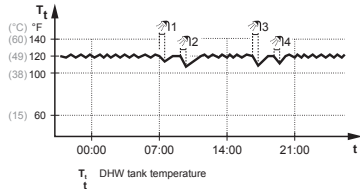
## Controls (cont.)

### Domestic Hot Water control

When configured with the *ALTHERMA* system, selecting how the DHW will be controlled is a vital part of the interview process. Being able to answer the end users DHW consumption times as well as when and how beneficial producing DHW during things like off peak hours or cooler parts of the day. Maybe when thermostats are setback for night time or work hours. Every end user will have different requirements and needs.

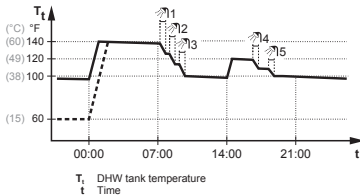
### Reheat Mode

In reheat mode, the DHW tank continuously heats up to the temperature shown on the home screen (example: 120°F (49°C)) when the temperature drops below the differential value.



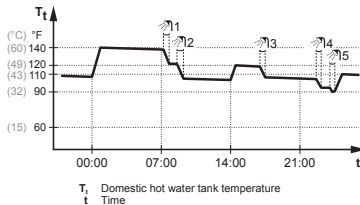
### Schedule Mode

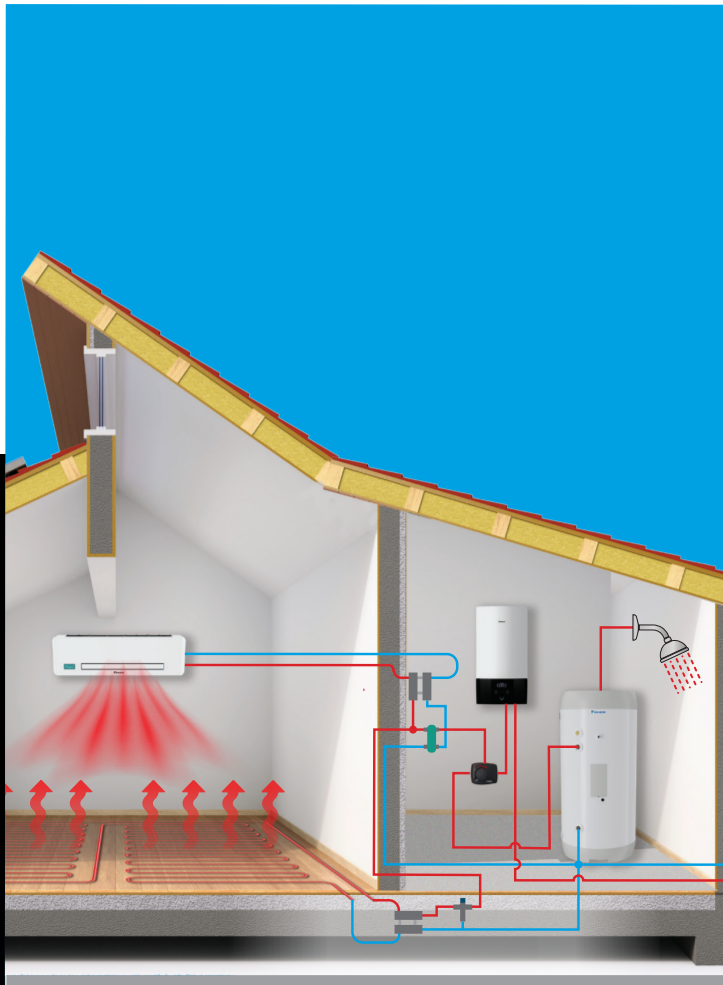
In scheduled mode, the DHW tank produces hot water corresponding to a schedule. Based on the end users schedule, commission a schedule that best fits the need of the end user while still providing comfort and reliability. These are questions that should be asked during an end user interview.



### Schedule + Reheat Mode

In schedule + reheat mode, the domestic hot water control is the same as in scheduled mode. However, when the DHW tank temperature drops below a preset differential (=reheat tank temperature - differential value; example: 90°F (32°C)), the DHW tank heats up until it reaches the reheat set point (example: 110°F (45°C)). This ensures that hot water is always available.





## APPLICATION EXAMPLES

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# Application Examples

## Versatility of Hydronics

The versatility of hydronics is the answer to endless HVAC needs. Whether the job calls for a boiler or furnace replacement, both can be achieved with the additional option of securing domestic hot water needs.

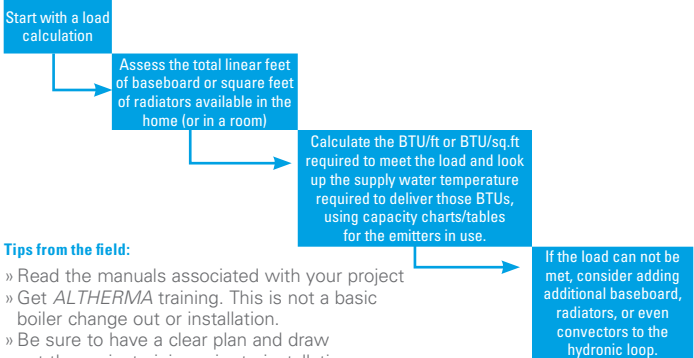
Using *ALTHERMA* for new construction is like painting a blank canvas. Various types of emitters and radiant heating as well as cooling whether with HPC, AHUs or even used in heat only situations if desired.

Here is a list of benefits while using *ALTHERMA* and application examples of its versatility.

| Application Example                                     | Options  |  HEATING |  COOLING |  HOT WATER |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| <b>(Combi) Boiler Replacement</b>                       | Use existing baseboard/radiators   | YES   | NO  | YES   |
|   | Use existing baseboard/radiators + add heat pump convectors (replacing window or mini-split units)               | YES   | YES   | YES   |
|   | Use existing in-floor/underfloor radiant loop  | YES   | NO  | YES   |
|   | Use existing in-floor/under-floor radiant loop + add heat pump convectors (replacing window or mini-split units) | YES   | YES   | YES   |
|   | Replace existing hydronic loop with heat pump convectors   | YES   | YES   | YES   |
| <b>Gas or oil furnace/ optional gas DHW replacement</b> | Replace gas or oil furnace with hydronic air handler, remove AC unit and replace DHW tank                        | YES   | YES   | YES   |
| <b>New construction</b>                                 | In-floor radiant loop, heat pump convectors or combination of the two to include DHW                             | YES   | ?   | YES   |

? – This option is dependent on the selection in design  
NOTE: The hot water capability is optional.

## Existing Baseboard/Radiator Evaluation



### Tips from the field:

- » Read the manuals associated with your project
- » Get *ALTHERMA* training. This is not a basic boiler change out or installation.
- » Be sure to have a clear plan and draw out the project piping prior to installation.
- » Do a proper site assessment

If the load can not be met, consider adding additional baseboard, radiators, or even convectors to the hydronic loop.

# Application Examples

## Concept Drawings

**Concept drawings** for applications on boiler retrofits. Drawings are a baseline for system configuration. Be sure to use good hydronic heating and cooling practices when installing an *ALTHERMA* system.

» Things to consider

- Baseboard and radiator ratings based on leaving water temps that increase efficiencies (110°F-140°F)
- Baseboard and radiators are typically high temperature emitters. For optimization of the *ALTHERMA* system it is best practiced using lower LWT and more radiation as well as balancing valves (circuit setters to ensure performance) Check with baseboard/radiant panel manufacturer for ratings of their specific equipment.
- Freeze protection devices over glycol to increase efficiencies (refer to freeze protection)

**Concept drawings** for furnace replacement

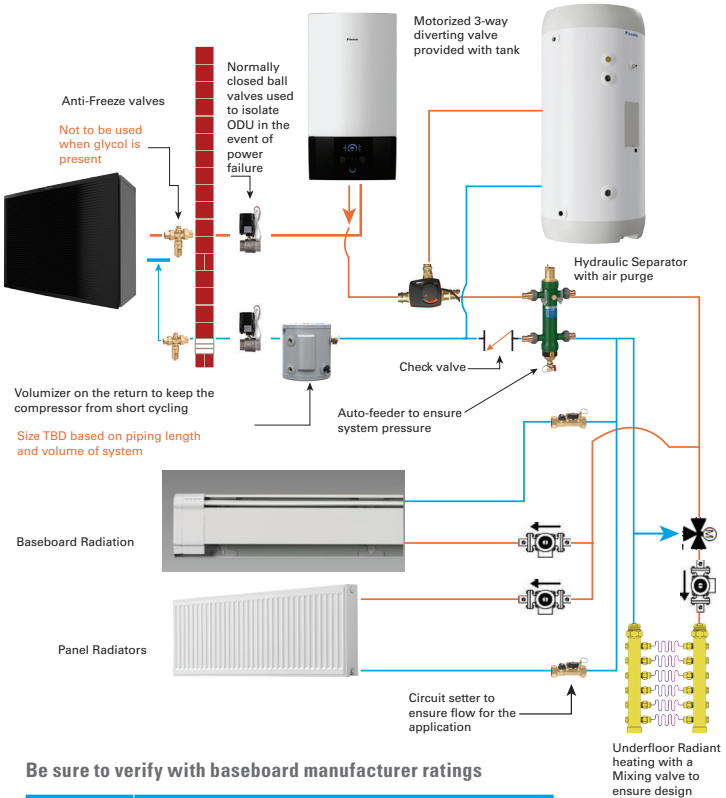
» Things to consider

- Refer to BTU outputs and flow rates from the AHU at lower LWT increase efficiencies (refer to AHU tables)
- Freeze protection devices over glycol to increase efficiencies
- Internal hydrobox pump sized for heating and cooling load
- Refer to AHU capacities at certain LWT and water flow rates
- Optimize capacities with the MMI control settings using the outdoor reset (weather dependent) control setpoints
- Ensure good purge point for system air purging

# Application Examples (cont.)

## Concept Drawings (cont.)

Boiler Replacement and DHW to Existing Baseboard/Radiators and/or Underfloor Radiant heating Only



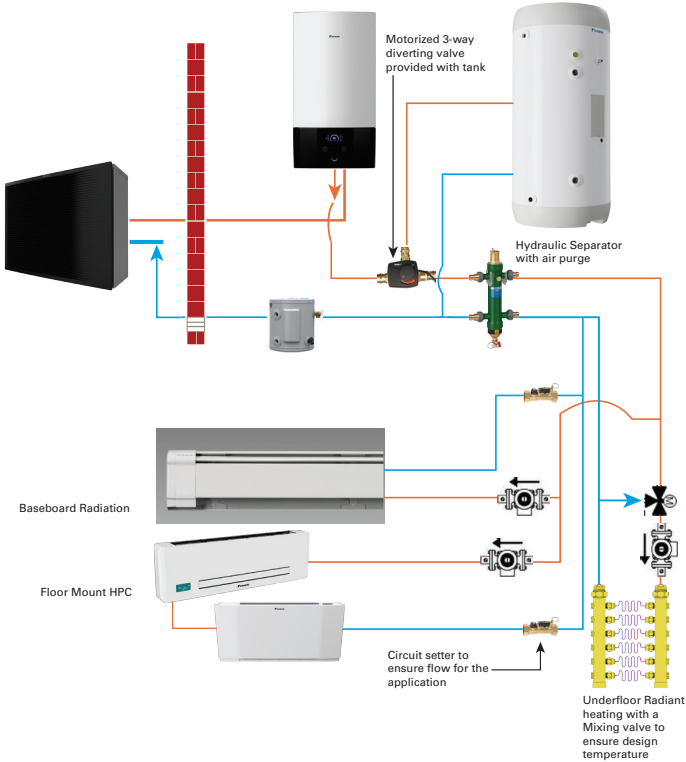
Be sure to verify with baseboard manufacturer ratings

| Water Flow | Hot Water Ratings – BTU/ft at 65°F entering air |       |       |       |       |
|------------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|            | 110°F   | 120°F | 130°F | 140°F | 180°F |
| 1 GPM      | 160   | 210   | 260   | 320   | 580   |
| 4 GPM      | 160   | 210   | 270   | 340   | 610   |

# Application Examples (cont.)

## Concept Drawings (cont.)

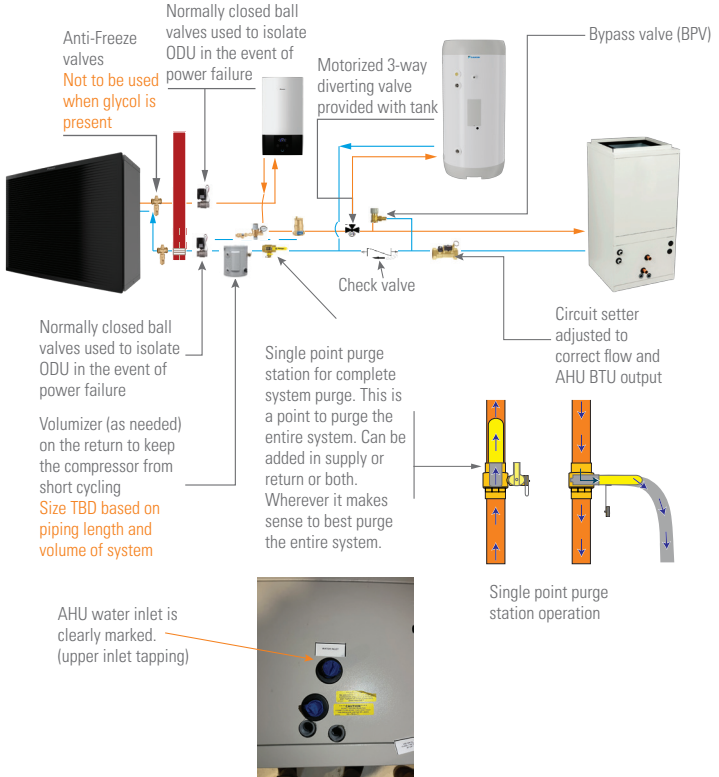
Boiler Replacement with Existing Baseboard/Radiators adding Heat Pump Convector (HPC)



# Application Examples (cont.)

## Concept Drawings (cont.)

### Furnace/DHW Retrofit





## **SITE CONSIDERATIONS**

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# Site Considerations

## Water Volume and Piping Considerations

The 3-way valve diverts the hydronic water flow from the heating/cooling piping to the DHW piping to handle the demand requested. Proper installation considerations need to be adhered when integrating into the piping. Be sure to follow the installation manual before and during the installation process. The inlet piping from the hydrobox is NEVER to be piped in the branch port of the valve.

- » The installation needs to be made in such a way that a minimum water volume of 5.3 gal (20 liters) is always available in the space heating/cooling loop of the unit, even when the available volume towards the unit is reduced because of closure of valves (heat emitters, thermostatic valves, etc.) in the space heating/cooling circuit. The internal water volume of the outdoor unit and indoor unit is NOT considered for this minimum water volume
- » Differential bypass valve adjustment is necessary for minimum flow when emitters are closed during defrost/backup heater operation.
- » Minimum flow rate with space heating emitters closed is +0.53 GPM (2 l/min) Example: 5.8 GPM minimum flow required + 0.53 GPM for differential bypass = 6.33 GPM minimum with space heating emitters closed. (22 l/min + 2 l/min = 24 l/min total)
- » If a bypass is in place eliminating the need for the differential bypass valve, minimum flow must still be maintained when space heating emitters are closed.
- » **The ALTHERMA system has a minimum volume of water necessary to ensure the compressor does not short cycle. If the system is found to be short of volume, then a volumizer will need to be sized.**
  - Sizing the volumizer requires figuring the volume of the system and comparing the minimum of 5.3 gal (20 liters) volume and comparing that to the figured volume. The difference is the minimum size volumizer necessary.
  - To figure the volume of the piping:
    - Measure the length of piping between the hydrobox and the ODU
    - The standard piping connections are 1" which contains 0.0408 gallons per foot of pipe. Refer to the table for volume of water per foot for the size pipe used.

| Pipe Size | Gallons/ft |
|-----------|------------|
| ½"        | 0.01       |
| ¾"        | 0.023      |
| 1"        | 0.041      |
| 1-¼"      | 0.064      |
| 1-½"      | 0.092      |
| 2"        | 0.163      |

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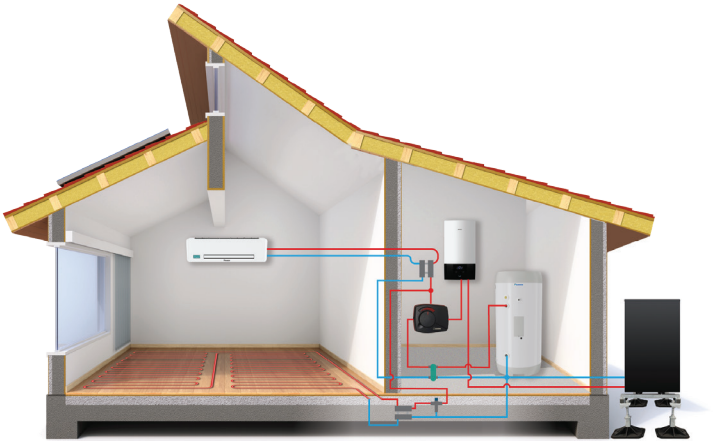
## Water Volume and Piping Considerations (cont.)

### Expansion tank/vessel sizing and volume

To check the water volume and flow rate, the indoor unit has an expansion vessel of 2.64 gallons (10 liters) with a factory-set pre-pressure of 14.5 psi (1 bar)

To make sure that the unit operates properly:

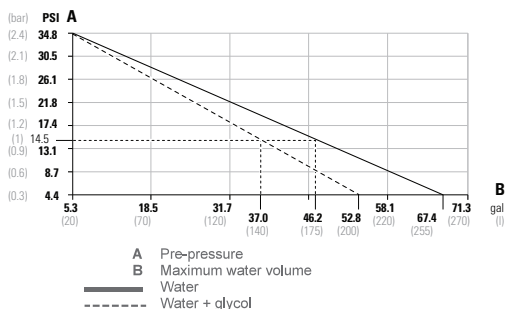
- » You **MUST** check the minimum and maximum water volume.
- » You might need to adjust the pre-pressure of the expansion vessel



## Site Considerations

### Maximum water volume and expansion vessel pre-pressure

The maximum water volume depends on whether glycol is added to the water circuit. Use the following graph to determine the maximum water volume for the calculated pre-pressure.



(a) is the highpoint difference (ft) between the highest point of the water circuit and the indoor unit. If the indoor unit is at the highest of the installation, the installation height is 0 ft.

| Installation height difference (a) | Water Volume  |   |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
|                                    | ≤ 50.2 gal  | > 50.2 gal  |
| ≤ 23 ft                            | No pre-pressure adjustment is required.   | <b>Do the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Decrease the pre-pressure according to the required installation height difference. The pre pressure should decrease by 1.45 psi (0.1 bar) for each 3 ft (1 m) below 23 ft (7 m).</li> <li>» Check if the water volume does NOT exceed the maximum allowed water volume.</li> </ul> |
| > 23 ft                            | <b>Do the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Increase the pre-pressure according to the required installation height difference. The pre-pressure should increase by 1.45 psi (0.1 bar) for each 3 ft (1 m) above 23 ft (7 m).</li> <li>» Check if the water volume does NOT exceed the maximum allowed water volume.</li> </ul> | The expansion vessel of the indoor unit is too small for the installation. In this case, it is recommended to install an extra vessel outside the unit.   |

## Site Considerations

### Maximum water volume and expansion vessel pre-pressure (cont.)

#### Example:

The indoor unit is installed at the highest point in the water circuit. The total water volume in the water circuit is 66 gallons.

#### Actions:

- » Because the total water volume (66 gallons) is more than the default water volume (50.2 gallons), the pre-pressure must be decreased.
- » The required pre-pressure is:
  - $P_g = (0.3 + (H/10)) \text{ bar} = (0.3 + (0/10)) \text{ bar} = 0.3 \text{ bar}$
  - The corresponding maximum water volume at 0.3 bar is 67.4 gallons. (See the graph in "Maximum water volume").
- » Because 66 gallons is lower than 67.4 gallons, the expansion vessel is appropriate for the installation.

# Site Considerations

## Heating Only Convectors

### » Types of convectors

#### – Radiant Under Floor heating

- Importance of mixing valves to ensure proper design temps (typical temperature are between 85°F-125°F depending upon the type of underfloor radiant heating design)
- Use the MMI to configure the zone for under-floor heating for best use of underfloor heating

### Wall mount radiant convectors

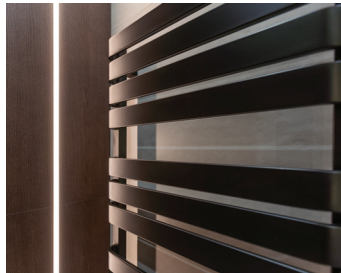
- » Refer to manufacturer for sizing based on maximum LWT of 158°F
- » NOTE: Size the convector to the lowest LWT for maximum efficiency that fits the design of the system

### Baseboard radiation

- » Sizing varies based on manufacturers performance
- » Use high temp zone wiring terminals
- » Understanding flow rates and how they affect the heating capacities
- » Use of shut-off valves to isolate chilled water system from heating only system control valves

### Sectional Radiator Sizing and Optimizing

The end user may want to re-use the existing radiators to keep the old charm this will require some math. **Notice these types of radiators have a large volume of water and may cause the ALTHERMA to lose significant efficiency. It is not advised to use these types of radiators as they will not perform as originally intended.**



# Site Considerations

## Hydrobox Circulating Pump

**Inside the hydrobox is a variable speed ECM pump is controlled by  $\Delta T$  capable of a maximum of 14.5 GPM at 5 feet of head.**

» **What does this mean?**

- All pumps have performance criteria rating. This means that the pump will flow a given amount of water/liquid with a certain amount of back pressure known as feet of head in many cases. Each 2.31 feet of head is equivalent to 1psi pressure drop.
- The internal pump moves at a maximum rate of 14.5 GPM at 5 ft of head. Or 14.5 GPM with 2.2 psi back pressure in the system.

» **Why does this matter?**

- When piping a system careful considerations need to be made to account for the proper amount of flow to heat or cool all while being mindful of the minimum required flow rate though the *ALTHERMA* system to maintain proper performance. The flow rate is measured and reports to the MMI controller providing a read-out on the controller.
  - 5.8 GPM for normal operation
  - 7.4 GPM during DHW production

» **Will a secondary pump be necessary?**

- If the system has a significant pressure drop in the system exceeding the maximum head pressure a secondary piping system will need to be configured. Be sure to use a secondary pump rated for chilled water systems.

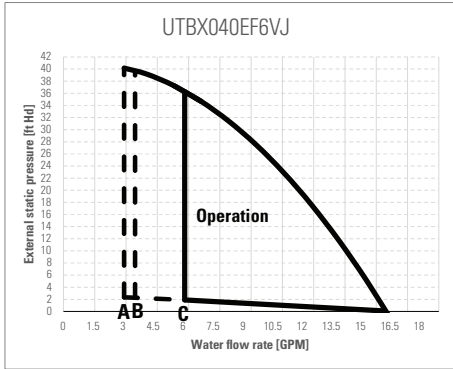
» **How does Glycol effect flow rates?**

- Glycol at heating temperatures has minimal effects to the flow rate.
- Glycol in cooling drastically increases head pressure.

# Site Considerations

## Hydrobox Circulating Pump (cont.)

### Pump curve of internal hydrobox pump



- A. Minimum water flow rate during normal operation
- B. Minimum water flow rate during backup heater operation
- C. Minimum water flow rate during defrost operation

### Considerations using pump curves

- » Calculate water flow for load
- » Friction loss using manufacturers pressure drop information plus added piping and fittings and where they fit in while designing
- » Hydraulic separation
- » Emitter flow requirements for optimal performance

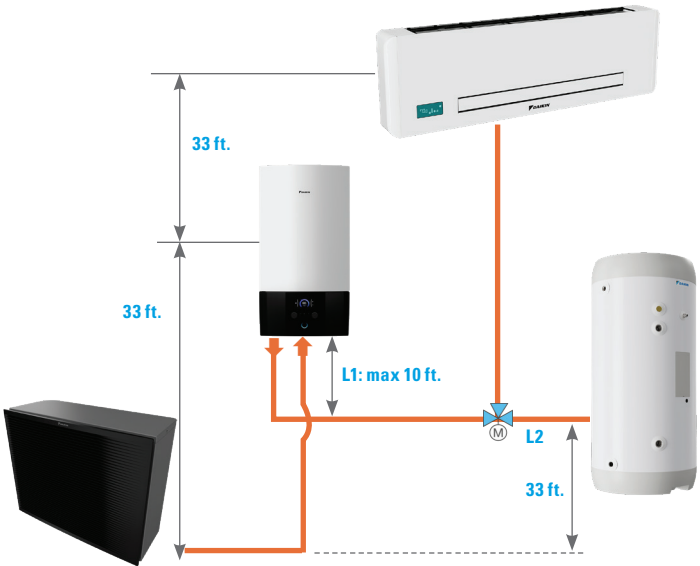


# Site Considerations

## Piping Layout Guidelines

- » Maximum distance between indoor unit and domestic hot water tank:  
 $L1 + L2 \leq 33$  ft
- » Maximum distance between indoor unit and 3-way valve (for installations with domestic hot water tank): L1: 10 ft

## Height Limitations



# Site Considerations

## Specialized Hydronic and DHW Considerations

Hydronics allows a unique sense of versatility, although, with this versatility precautions and considerations need to be addressed.

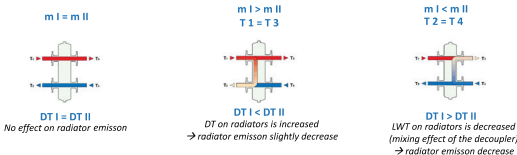
### » Mixing valves

- Ensure public safety when used in a DHW situation
  - Many times, mixing valves will be used to increase a DHW load by using higher tank temperatures but unsafe for DHW purposes. This is when it is required to have a mixing valve to maintain a safe temperature for use in a domestic situation. **Use a mixing valve rated for domestic purposes.**
- Ensures radiant heating performance
  - Under-floor heating (radiant heat) typically will use a temperature less than most heating purposes require. Using a mixing valve ensures a consistent temperature per design.
  - Some radiant systems use a weather dependent control that operate independently for the radiant temperature needs.
  - Radiant systems are specifically designed systems allowing for the efficient use of the ALTHERMA system.

### Hydraulic Separation and ALTHERMA Hydrobox

- » The Hydrobox uses a variable speed ECM pump controlled by  $\Delta T$ .
- » As the  $\Delta T$  lessens the pump speed decreases yet the pumps for the secondary loop side is maintained assuring proper heat transfer.
- » This will cause a pressure differential
- » Hydraulic separation separates the two different pressure zones
- » Allowing both primary and secondary to be independent of each other
- » As secondary pumps or zones satisfy the flow through the hydraulic separator changes drawing less from the primary side and the ECM pump slows down due to the lowered  $\Delta T$  creating less energy exchange inside the hydraulic separator.
- » The hydraulic separator is the point of zero pressure change and is the proper place to install an auto feeder

**NOTICE:** When circulation in each or certain space heating loops is controlled by remotely controlled valves, it is important that the minimum flow rate is guaranteed, even if all valves are closed. In case the minimum flow rate cannot be reached, a flow error 7H will be generated (no heating or operation).



# Site Considerations

## Water Quality

### Ensure water quality complies with the following water quality requirements:

- » The Product has been installed by a professional installer, in accordance with the instructions in the installation manual and all relevant Codes of Practice and Regulations in force at the time of installation.
- » The Product has not been modified in any way, tampered with or subjected to misuse and no factory fitted parts have been removed for unauthorized repair or replacement.
- » The Product has only been connected to a domestic mains water supply in compliance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The water should not be aggressive, i.e. the water chemistry shall comply with the following:
  - Chloride < 250 mg / L
  - Total Dissolved Solids (TDS): <500 ppm
  - 6.0 < pH level < 9.5
- » The immersion heater has not been exposed to hardness levels exceeding 12 grains per gallon (200mg/L) for residential use and 7 grains per gallon (120mg/L) for commercial use. A water softener is recommended in such cases.
- » Any disinfection has been carried out without affecting the Product in any way whatsoever. The Product shall be isolated from any system chlorination. Service and/or repair shall be done according to the installation manual and all relevant codes of practice. Any replacement parts used shall be designated by the manufacturer.
- » Any third-party costs associated with any claim must be authorized in advance by Daikin in writing. The purchase invoice and/or installation invoice, a water sample as well as the defective product is made available to Daikin upon request.
- » Unit is certified for indoor use only. Do not install outdoors.
- » Failure to follow these instructions and conditions may result in product failure, and water escaping from the Product.



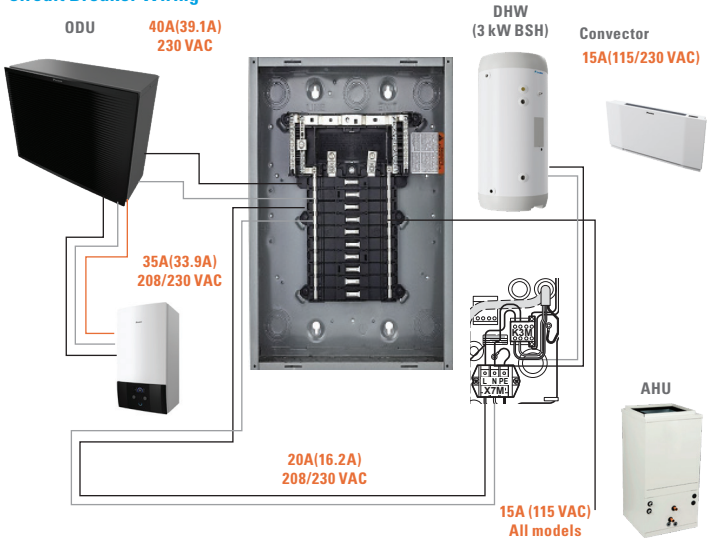
# Site Considerations

## Electrical Considerations

» The ALTHERMA will require some electrical considerations to accommodate the electrification of a home. This is a visual of needs for the ALTHERMA to function as designed.

*For visual purposes only*

### Circuit Breaker Wiring



### Surge Protection

Just as all Daikin inverter systems it is recommended to protect the HVAC investment with surge protection and voltage monitoring. At minimum use a surge protector.

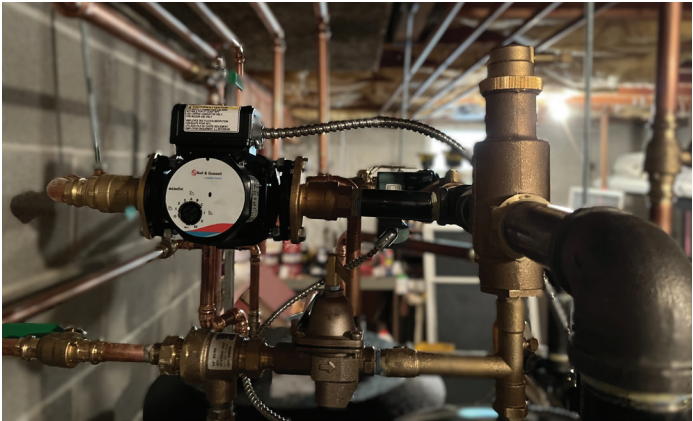


# Site Considerations

## Hydronic Piping

### Water Distribution

- » Design the water distribution system for types of convectors, underfloor heating, fan coil units and/or water heating needs.
- » Pressure drops measured in feet of head/PSI (2.31 feet of head per 1 PSI) be sure to know what system requires.
- » Know what the internal pump needs are and what it will do (see hydrobox circulation pump)
  - Make accommodations for secondary pumps if necessary and/or bypasses.
  - Use secondary pumps rated for chilled water.
- » Water treatment (refer to water quality)
- » This is not a boiler. Reading the manuals will be necessary
  - The outdoor unit
  - Hydrobox
  - DHW tank
  - Convectors



# Site Considerations

## Hydronic Piping (cont.)

### Hydronic Piping Design

- Complete load calculations
- Calculate the required waterflow using sensible heat formula:

$$\text{GPM} = Q \div (500 \times \Delta T) \quad Q = \text{BTU/H}$$

1 GPM = 10MBTUH at 20ΔT most common

- Know the equivalent pipe lengths to include fittings friction loss of piping.
- Refer to piping/tubing manufacturer. Chart for reference only
- Size the terminal units (convectors) for each zone/room
- Know the friction loss of the units (see technical data of terminal units being used)
- Verify needs and select necessary piping
- Establish the piping configuration (series, primary secondary etc.)
- Verify pump specs and selection for the application. Pumps need to be rated for chilled water.
- NOTE: When using PEX tubing it must be rated for hydronic systems.

| Tubing Size | Minimum Flo Rate (GPM) | Maximum Flow Rate (GPM) |
|-------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1/2" copper | 1.6                    | 3.2                     |
| 3/4" copper | 3.2                    | 6.5                     |
| 1" copper   | 5.5                    | 10.9                    |
| 1/2" pex    | 1.2                    | 2.3                     |
| 3/4" pex    | 2.3                    | 4.6                     |
| 1" pex      | 3.8                    | 7.5                     |

# Site Considerations

## Freeze Protection

- » Water has a better performance over Glycol
- » Water has less concerns of corrosion over Glycol
- » Water requires little to no maintenance
- » Glycol will reduce energy efficiency



## NOTICE

If glycol is added to the water circuit, and temperature of the water circuit is low, the flow rate will NOT be displayed on the user interface. In this case, the minimum flow rate can be checked by way of the pump test (be sure the user interface does NOT display error 7H).



## Built-in software protection

- √ To protect piping
  - Water circulation via pump
  - Integrated BUH / Heater tapes
- √ To protect ODU
  - Bottom plate
  - Double hot gas bypass

## Anti-freeze valve option:

- √ Only when no glycol is used
- √ Offers full system protection in case of power cut or pump break down
- √ Prevents ice forming by draining water from the system
- √ Prevents any damage to unit and pipes when temperature drops < 37°F (3°C) +/- 1°F (C)

# Site Considerations

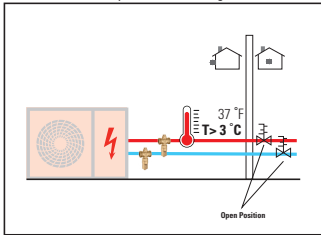
## Freeze Protection (cont.)

| 1" Propress Copper Type L<br>134 equivalent FT Water<br>@ 45F 6.5 GPM |              |
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| Velocity  | 2.5ft/second |
| Pressure Drop   | 1.9psi       |
| Head Loss   | 4.4ft        |

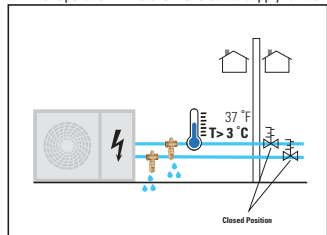
| 1" Propress Copper Type L<br>134 equivalent FT, 30% Propylene Glycol<br>@ 45F 6.5 GPM |              |
|---|--------------|
| Velocity  | 2.5ft/second |
| Pressure Drop   | 2.5psi       |
| Head Loss   | 6.4ft        |

» Comparison based Copper Propress 100 feet of 1" copper L tubing  
10 Elbows 2 Tees off branch

Winter operation in heating mode



Winter operation in the event of electric supply failure



# Site Considerations

## Insulation of Piping

**For optimal efficiency and performance, the piping and extremities need to be insulated.**



### Why is insulation H<sub>2</sub>O piping connection calculated on single run?

- √ Temperature loss between ODU and IDU is important not only for the comfort of the customer but also for the energy efficiency of the unit.
- √ Therefore, the required insulation for the piping is calculated on a single run
- » Condition for calculation of insulation:  $\Delta T = 2F$  between LWT at ODU and LWT at IDU.
- » Recommend insulation for the site location.
- » IECC (International Energy Conservation Code) Requires a minimum of R3 on any mechanical system carrying fluids over 105°F and below 55°F
- » Be sure to adhere to local regulations

**For optimal efficiency and performance, the piping and extremities need to be insulated.**

| Piping Length | Minimum Insulation Thickness |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| <65ft         | ¾"                           |
| 65-98ft       | 1¼"                          |
| 98-131ft      | 1½"                          |
| 131-164ft     | 2"                           |







**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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## Acronyms and Definitions

- » **AWHP (Air to Water Heat Pump):** a system that utilizes the thermal energy from the outside air to heat or cool water
- » **AHU (Air Handling Unit):** regulate and circulate air
- » **BAR:** a metric unit of pressure measurement (1BAR= 14.5PSI)
- » **BTU/hr.** (British Thermal Unit per hour) the amount of heat or energy used to raise the temperature of one pound of water by one degree
- » **CFM:** Cubic feet per minute
- » **Circuit Setter:** regulates waterflow through a hydronic loop
- » **Convector:** a device that uses convection to circulate heat into an environment
- » **COP (Coefficient of Performance):** the measure of the air-to-water heat pump's efficiency. It's a ratio of the cooling or heating output to the electrical energy input.
- » **ΔT:** Delta T or temperature differential
- » **Differential:** the difference between the setpoint and when the system is to come back on
- » **Direct return:** piping configuration utilizing the first to get heat/cool first to return to source
- » **DHW:** Domestic Hot Water
- » **Emitter:** a device that releases heat/cool into an environment with or without a fan
- » **GPM:** gallons per minute
- » **HPC (Heat Pump Convector):** Fan forced heat independent heating and cooling unit either wall hung or floor mount
- » **Hydraulic Separation:** hydraulically decouples primary and secondary piping
- » **Hydronics:** a cooling or heating system that uses water as a medium to transport energy from one place to another
- » **Hysteresis:** Differential temperature
- » **L/min:** Liters per minute
- » **Lockshield:** radiator valve that controls the flow of water through the convector for balancing. Similar to a circuit setter

# Acronyms and Definitions (cont.)

- » **MMI:** Man-Machine Interface. The controller in the hydrobox that configures the system for maximum optimization.
- » **ODU:** Outdoor unit
- » **PEX (Cross-linked Polyethylene):** flexible polymer piping materials
- » **Primary piping:** carries the primary flow of water for energy use to the emitters/convector
- » **Primary-secondary piping:** piping design to minimize pressure drop in a hydronic system
- » **PSI (Pounds per Square inch):** measurement of the force exerted on a surface
- » **Pump Curve:** a graphical representation of a pump's performance based on testing conducted by the manufacturer. Each pump will have its own pump performance curve, which varies from pump to pump. This performance is based on the pump's motor horsepower and the size and shape of the impeller.
- » **Radiant:** underfloor heating or wall mounted convector
- » **Reverse return:** piping configuration in which the first convector to get heating or cooling will be the last to return to the primary system.
- » **Secondary piping:** Piping that is "secondary" to the main heating/Cooling plant (*ALTHERMA*) example: piping to the emitters/convectors would be considered secondary piping
- » **Sensible Cooling Load:** BTUs needed to be removed to lower the thermostat temperature independent of the BTUs related to humidity.
- » **Volumizer:** a tank to add volume to a system

# Additional Information



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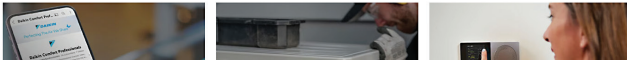
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# History of Daikin

## **Revolutionizing Heating and Cooling for over 100 years.**

### **1920s – The future of Daikin takes flight**

Daikin's history begins producing radiator tubes just 21 years after the Wright brothers' first flight.

### **1930s – Fluorocarbon gas successively manufactured**

Since this 1935 breakthrough, Daikin remains the only company that researches and develops both air conditioning fluorochemicals and hardware.

### **1950s – Daikin enters growing consumer segment.**

Continuing to innovate and expand, Daikin launched their first residential window unit for the rapidly developing consumer segment.

### **1960s – Commercial production scaled-out in Osaka**

The Kanaoka Factory is established as a main production base for commercial air conditioners including centrifugal chillers.

### **1970s – Innovation expands**

Daikin creates new opportunities entering Europe, introduces "multi-split" systems and air purifiers for homes, and launches *SkyAir* for shops and small offices.

### **1980s – Re-imagined indoor comfort for commercial buildings**

Daikin developed the *VRV* (Variable Refrigerant Volume) system, the world's first multi-split type air conditioner for commercial buildings. This development drastically innovated the air conditioning standard of commercial buildings across the globe.

### **1990s – More HVAC firsts**

Daikin established the world's first production plant for R-32 refrigerant and launched the first mini-split air conditioner with a humidification function.

### **2000s – Daikin technology comes to America**

Daikin acquired McQuay International, a global corporation that designed and manufactured HVAC products for commercial, industrial, and institutional use.

### **2010 – Air has unlimited possibilities**

Daikin acquires American company Goodman Manufacturing and establishes a strong position in North America by opening the Daikin Texas Technology Park just outside Houston, Texas where Daikin launched new products, including the Daikin *FIT*, Daikin *ONE+* smart thermostat, and new *VRVs*.

### **2020s – Innovation continues**

The Daikin *ONE* ecosystem provides solutions to help DETECT, VISUALIZE, and ACT, addressing common indoor air quality (IAQ) issues. Goodman Manufacturing is renamed Daikin Comfort Technologies North America, Inc. to strengthen its product development capabilities and promote the usage of HVAC products that employ R-32, a low global warming potential refrigerant, combined with 2-way communicating thermostats, inverters, and heat pumps.

# History of *ALTHERMA*

**Daikin *ALTHERMA* was introduced into Europe in 2006. *ALTHERMA* has been the result of energy and sustainability requirements for over 20 years.**

As Daikin's overall business developed favorably, it decided on all-out entry into the heating systems industry. Although summers occasionally got quite hot in European countries, the general need for heating systems is always strong.

Daikin Europe launched Daikin *ALTHERMA*, an air-to-water heat-pump system capable of providing space heating, cooling, and domestic hot water, in Europe in 2006. Since then, Daikin has steadily expanded the product lineup based on the climate and needs of European countries. For example, Daikin *ALTHERMA* 3 H HT launched in Europe during fiscal 2020 for cold regions and can supply hot water without use of electric heaters even in very low outdoor temperatures. In fiscal 2021, Daikin launched a smaller capacity model. European sales of *ALTHERMA* have grown 4.5 times since fiscal 2014. Daikin will continue with its proposal activities in regions around the world that still mainly use combustion heating. As part of this, Daikin is stepping up its efforts in North America where there is growing momentum for a shift in environmental policy.









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